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Re: Request for Extension of Conflict-of-Interest Code Exemption – CA-Mexico Border Relations Council

Dear Linda Lye:

This letter grants your request for an extension of the CA-Mexico Border Relations Council's ("Council") exemption from inclusion in a conflict-of-interest code under California Code of Regulations Section 18751.

Based on the information provided in your declaration, there have been no changes to the Council since the granting of the last extension (i.e., the Council does not possess decision making authority and is formed for the sole purpose of reporting and making recommendations to another government body).

Under Regulation 18751(g), an exemption expires after two years and agencies must adopt a conflict-of-interest code, request an extension of the exemption, or submit a new request for exemption. If the nature of the Council's authority changes and employees and/or members make or participate in the making of governmental decisions, the Council may need to adopt a conflict-of-interest code or be added to another agency's conflict of interest code at that time. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 916-322-5660.

Sincerely,

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